
Community, Economic, and Human Development Committee
November 4, 2004

Action Minutes

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC, AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. AUDIO CASSETTE TAPE OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The Community, Economic, and Human Development Committee held its meeting at SCAG Offices downtown Los Angeles. The meeting was called to order by Deborah Robertson, Chair, SANBAG Subregion. There was a quorum.

Members Present

Alberg, Lyle
Alexander, William
Bowlen, Paul (**Vice Chair**)
Cruz Madrid, Cristina
Dispenza, Mike
Duke, Alta E.
Hofmeyer, Daryl
Loveridge, Ronald
Lutz, Mary Ann
McCarthy, Keith
McCullough, Kathryn
Norby, Chris
Nowatka, Paul
Perry, Bev
Pinkard, Bedford
Poe, Marilyn
Robertson, Deborah (**Chair**)

WRCOG Subregion
SANBAG Subregion
City of Cerritos
San Gabriel Valley COG
City of Palmdale
City of La Palma
City of Paramount
City of Riverside
City of Monrovia
City of Downey
OCCOG Subregion
County of Orange
City of Torrance
City of Brea
City of Oxnard
City of Los Alamitos
SANBAG Subregion

Members Not Present

Bosworth, Gary
Burgnon, Edward
Campbell, Todd
Coerper, Gil
Davert, Doug
Guillen, Manual E.
Longville, Susan
McSweeney, Susan
Moreno Jr., Edren J.
Perry, Jan

CVAG Region
SANBAG Subregion
City of Burbank
City of Huntington Beach
City of Tustin
Gateway Cities
SANBAG Subregion
City of Westlake Village
San Gabriel Valley COG
City of Los Angeles

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Members Not Present

Reyes, Ed	City of Los Angeles
Richardson, Laura	City of Long Beach
Shields, M. Joe	City of Brawley
Szerlip, Don	South Bay Cities Subregion
White, Charles	WRCOG Subregion
Youseflan, Bob	City of Glendale

New Members

None

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1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Hon. Deborah Robertson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

3.0 REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

4.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

The following consent calendar items were approved with adjustments to the October minutes clearly stating that Chair Robertson was absent and the meeting was chaired by Vice Chair Bowlen. It was moved, seconded with 3 abstaining votes (Chair Robertson, Councilmember Poe and Councilmember Duke) to approve the consent calendar.

4.1 Approval Item

4.1.1 Minutes of the October 7, 2004 Meeting

4.2 Receive and File

4.2.1 SCAG Legislative Matrix

4.2.2 IGR Activity Report: 3rd Quarter 2004

4.2.3 State and Federal End of Session Update

5.0 ACTION ITEM

5.1 Regional Housing Needs Assessment

Jacob Lieb, Acting Lead Regional Planner, presented a request that the Committee recommend Regional Council authorization for staff to request regional housing need allocation process be coordinated with the Regional Transportation Plan update as allowed under California Government Code Section 65584. This would allow SCAG to begin its RHNA process in the Spring of 2006 and conclude it in the Spring of 2007. The Housing Elements would be due in 2008.

Further, Mr. Lieb stated that SCAG is now 5 months behind in the RHNA process due to several issues. There was discussion regarding the need to begin working on issues for the next allocation.

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It was moved (Alexander), seconded (Duke), and passed to recommend that the Regional Council authorize staff to request that the regional housing need allocation process be coordinated with the Regional Transportation Plan update, as allowed under California Government Code Section 65584. This would allow SCAG to begin its RHNA process in spring 2006.

6.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 Draft 2005 State and Federal Legislation Program

Tonya Gorham, Government Affairs Analyst, reported on the Draft 2005 State and Federal Legislative Program she also handed out a copy of page 5, which was missing from the agenda, package. Ms. Gorham stated the program highlights federal and state legislative priorities for 2005. The federal priority continues to be the Reauthorization of TEA-21, and key state priorities include working with the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing and stakeholders to redefine local and regional responsibilities in implementing housing goals, as well as protecting Prop. 42 funds. The program also seeks to further the Compass implementation framework, the 2% strategy approved by the Regional Council in June of 2004.

Ms. Gorham asked for comments from the Committee prior to next meeting so that the program could be brought back in December with a finalized version for submittal to the Regional Council.

6.2 Draft Findings of the 2004 State of the Region

Ping Chang, Acting Manager Data and Monitoring, presented draft findings of the upcoming 2004 State of the Region Report which is scheduled to be published in January 2005. Staff prepares the report under the guidance of the Benchmarks Task Force, which is chaired by the Mayor Ron Loveridge of the City of Riverside.

There was discussion on issues presented in the report and suggestions on how to present information. Staff will accommodate these suggestions.

6.3 Regional Comprehensive Plan/General Plan Law Follow-Up

Jacob Lieb, stated that staff has begun work on the Regional Comprehensive Plan under the direction of the CEHD Committee. Staff will periodically be giving updates on the work being done on the Plan and deliberations being pursued at the task force level. Mr. Lieb briefly went over the report provided in the agenda package to highlight progress.

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Mr. Lieb brought to the Committee attention to some work done on General Plan issues with both the matrix and detailed notes, at the request of the Committee. Mr. Lieb went on to say staff is working on a companion piece to this that relates to CEQA and the environmental review process and the ways in which lead agencies under CEQA need to look at regional plans and programs.

6.4 Compass Implementation Program Report/Land Use Opportunity Tracking System

Joe Carreras, SCAG Lead Planner, introduced Neal Richman, Ph.D., Assistant Director, Advanced Policy Institute at UCLA who demonstrated the LA Land Use Opportunity Tracking System (LOTS). Mr. Carreras stated that the LOTS program is a joint program between SCAG and UCLA to develop a web-based system to help communities assess the potential for in-fill development, help neighborhoods plan their future, and to help the development community assesses the potential of in-fill sites.

Neal Richman gave the Committee a detailed presentation that provided step-by-step introduction to LOTS. For those members who want to go to the site, the web address is "lots.ucla.edu." If the Committee had questions for Mr. Richman he can be reached at "nrichman@ucla.edu."

7.0 CHAIR'S REPORT

None.

8.0 STAFF REPORT

Colin Lennard reported that the RHNA dispute agreement is in the process of being signed.

9.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Robertson would like to have a discussion on the upcoming Housing Summit.

10.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember McCarthy encouraged Committee members to attend the SCAG Economic Forecast Conference scheduled for November 18 at the Disney Concert Hall, 111 N. Grand Avenue, Los Angeles.

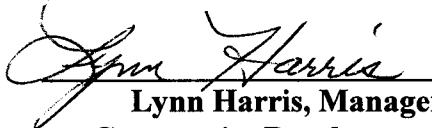
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11.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m. The next CEHD meeting will be held at the SCAG offices on Thursday, December 2, 2004.

Action Minutes Approved by:


**Lynn Harris, Manager
Community Development**